GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RURAL DEVELOPMENT
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:7220
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NEW PROGRAMME TO SUPPORT SELF HELP GROUPS
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Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government have formulated a new programme to support all Self Help Groups involved in the rural development;

(b) if so, the details thereof alongwith the type of help provided to these groups;

(c) whether any financial allocation has been made for this programme during the current financial year; and

(d) if so, the details thereof ?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI SUBHASH MAHARIA)

(a) & (b): The Swarnjayanti Gram Swarozgar Yojana (SGSY) is being implemented Groups are subjected to First and Second Grading Test on completion of six and twelve months respectively, after formation of the group. SHG that is in existence at least for a period of six months and have qualified first Grading Test are sanctioned Revolving Fund of Rs.25,000/- ascash credit, of which , Rs.10,000/- is given by DRDA.On qualifying the second Grading Test as an integrated self-employment Programme for the rural poor, since 1.4.1999 following restructuring of the erstwhile Integrated Rural Development Programme (IRDP) and its allied Schemes. The objective of the SGSY is to bring the assisted poor families (Swarozgaris) above the Poverty Line by organising them into Self Help Groups (SHGs) through the process of social mobilisation, their training and capacity building and provision of income generating assets through a mix of Bank Credit and Government subsidy. The SGSY focus on organisation of the rural poor into Self Help Groups (SHGs) at grassroots level for poverty eradication.A Self Help Group may consist of 10-20 persons. In the case of minor irrigation, and disabled persons this number may be a minimum of 5. All members of the group should belong to the families below Poverty Line identified through BPL Census. The Self Help, it is eligible to receive the assistance for economic activities in the form of loan and subsidy. There are two ways in which a SHG can receive this assistance :

i) Loan-cum-subsidy of SGSY to the individuals in a group, provided the prospective Swarozgaris in the group are capable of and willing to take up income generation activities under these sectors.

ii) Loan-cum-subsidy to the group where all the members in the group want to take up a group activity.

Subsidy under the SGSY isuniform at 30 % of the project cost, subject to a maximum of Rs.7,500/-. Inrespect of SC/STs,however, these will be 50% and Rs. 10,000/- respectively. For groups of Swarozgaries (SHGs),the subsidy would be at 50% of the cost of the Scheme, subject to a ceiling of Rs. 1.25 lakh. There will be no monetary limit on subsidy for irrigation projects.

The Statement showing number of Self Help Groups assisted for economic activities and total investments during last year i.e.2001-02 is at Annexure I.

(c) & (d): Yes Sir. The State/U.T.-wise Central Allocation under the Scheme for Current financial year (i.e. 2002 -03) is at Annexure II.

Annexure-I

Statement referred to in part (b) of Lok Sabha Question No.7220 due for reply on 14-5-2002

Statement showing No. of SHGs taken up economic activities, credit & subsidy disbursed and total investment under SGSY during 2001-02

(Rs. in lakhs)

Sl.	STATES /U.T.	No. of SHGs	Total	Total	Total

No.		taken up	Credit	Subsidy	Investment
	Economic Activities	Disbursed	Disbursed		
1	2	3	4	5	6
1	Andhra Pradesh	4583	4012.49	2835.97	6848.46
2	Arunachal Pradesh	11	3.50	8.72	12.22
3	Assam	893	647.86	448.64	1096.50
4	Bihar	3244	779.60	715.70	1495.30
5	Chattisgarh	218	336.46	220.73	557.19
6	Goa	56	11.02	9.46	20.48
7	Gujarat	516	562.32	375.10	937.42
8	Haryana	161	259.31	197.13	456.44
9	Himachal Pradesh	444	798.02	313.53	1111.55
10	Jammu & Kashmir	751	70.25	39.00	109.25
11	Jharkhand	900	101.76	75.48	177.24
12	Karnataka	1338	2528.15	1420.83	3948.98
13	Kerala	765	897.60	705.17	1602.77
14	Madhya Pradesh	1149	1628.50	873.63	2502.13
15	Maharashtra	1485	2420.84	1811.80	4232.64
16	Manipur	NR	NR		0.00
17	Meghalaya	6	2.32	2.32	4.64
18	Mizoram	111	4.75	24.55	29.30
19	Nagaland	60	19.90	15.20	35.10
20	Orissa	709	645.40	448.53	1093.93
21	Punjab	109	177.90	121.50	299.40
22	Rajasthan	76	217.12	77.29	294.41
23	Sikkim	5	4.71	4.71	9.42
24	Tamil Nadu	3275	3844.13	3144.25	6988.38
25	Tripura	236	6.27	6.27	12.54
26	Uttar Pradesh	1456	2045.05	1405.65	3450.70
27	Uttaranchal	153NR	NR		0.00
28	West Bengal	122	63.48	61.34	124.82
29	A&N Islands	40	19.49	16.80	36.29
30	Daman & Diu		1.82	0.99	2.81
31	D & N Haveli		NR		0.00
32	Lakshadweep	0	0.00	0.00	0.00
33	Pondicherry	18.00	33.62	18.66	52.28
TOTAL		22890.00	22143.65	15398.94	37542.58

N. R. = Not Reported.

Annexure-II

Statement referred to in reply to parts (c) & (d) Lok Sabha Unstarred Question No. 7220 due for reply on 14-5-2002

State-wise Central Allocation of funds under Swarnjayanti Gram Swarozgar Yojana (SGSY) during 2002-03

(Rs. in lakhs)

Sl.NO.	State/UTs	Central Allocation 2002-03
1	ANDHRA PRADESH	3068.31
2	ARUNACHAL PRADESH	127.10
3	ASSAM	3302.59
4	BIHAR	7300.00
5	CHHATTISGARH	1620.58
6	GOA	50.00
7	GUJARAT	1154.96
8	HARYANA	679.48
9	HIMACHAL PRADESH	286.16
10	JAMMU & KASHMIR	354.16
11	JHARKHAND	2751.41
12	KARNATAKA	2317.00
13	KERALA	1039.63
14	MADHYA PRADESH	3474.22
15	MAHARASHTRA	4580.15
16	MANIPUR	221.40
17	MEGHALAYA	248.05

18	MIZORAM	57.40
19	NAGALAND	170.16
20	ORISSA	3509.50
21	PUNJAB	330.22
22	RAJASTHAN	1759.38
23	SIKKIM	63.55
24	TAMIL NADU	2713.06
25	TRIPURA	399.75
26	UTTAR PRADESH	10509.37
27	UTTARANCHAL	552.30
28	WEST BENGAL	3900.11
29	A & N ISLAND	50.00
30	D & N HAVELI	50.00
31	DAMAN & DIU	50.00
32	LAKSHADWEEP	50.00
33	PONDICHERRY	50.00

TOTAL	56790.00